



# City of Tacoma City Council Minutes

747 Market Street, First Floor, Tacoma WA 98402

City Council Chambers

**October 04, 2016**

**5:00 PM**

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## CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Strickland called the meeting to order at 5:07 p.m.

## ROLL CALL

**Present:** 8 - Blocker, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Mello, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

**Absent:** 1 - Thoms

## FLAG SALUTE

The flag salute was led by Council Member Ibsen.

## MOMENT OF SILENCE

## ITEMS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

1. [16-0931](#) Minutes of the Community Vitality and Safety Committee, August 25, 2016.
2. [16-0937](#) Minutes of the Economic Development Committee, September 13, 2016.
3. [16-0941](#) Minutes of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee, August 10, 2016.
4. [16-0942](#) Minutes of the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee, September 14, 2016.
5. [16-0925](#) Minutes of the Planning Commission, August 17, 2016.
6. [16-0935](#) Minutes of the Tacoma Public Library Board of Trustees special meeting, August 31, 2016.
7. [16-0930](#) Monthly Financial Reports for the Fleet Services Fund, Self-Insurance Claim Fund, Tacoma Power, Tacoma Rail, Tacoma Rail Mountain Division, Tacoma Water, June 2016.

- 8. [16-0926](#) Monthly Financial Reports for the Fleet Services Fund, Self-Insurance Claim Fund, Tacoma Power, Tacoma Rail, Tacoma Rail Mountain Division, Tacoma Water, July 2016.
  
- 9. [16-0927](#) Monthly Financial Reports for the Fleet Services Fund, Self-Insurance Claim Fund, Tacoma Power, Tacoma Rail, Tacoma Rail Mountain Division, Tacoma Water, August 2016.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

### **FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES**

- 10. [ORD28379](#) An ordinance vacating a portion of the alley between East 25th Street and Puyallup Avenue, lying between A Street and State Route 705, for a private driveway. (Skookum Holdings, LLC; File No. 124.1366)  
[Phyllis K. Macleod, Hearing Examiner]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Mello moved to adopt the Consent Agenda, including first reading of Ordinance No. 28379.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Woodards.**

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Mello moved to concur in the Findings, Conclusions, and Recommendations of the Hearing Examiner for Ordinance No. 28379.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Woodards.**

**ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.**

**Ayes:** 8 - Blocker, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Mello, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

**Absent:** 1 - Thoms

**ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried to adopt the Consent Agenda, including setting Ordinance No. 28379 over to a date to be determined. The Consent Agenda was declared adopted.**

**Ayes:** 8 - Blocker, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Mello, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

**Absent:** 1 - Thoms

## PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no proclamations, recognitions, presentations, or announcements.

## PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comment began at 5:10 p.m.

Speaking before the City Council:

1. Roy Kissler, Kissler Management, speaking on Resolution No. 39554.
2. Kit Burns, 1010 6th Avenue, speaking on Resolution No. 39553.
3. Gavin Guss, citizen, speaking on Communication Item No. 16-0947.

Public Comment ended at 5:23 p.m.

## REGULAR AGENDA

11. [16-0920](#) The following motion may be considered:

Upon recommendation of the City Manager, and pursuant to Section 1.06.226 of the Tacoma Municipal Code, I move to authorize the Finance Department to cancel and write-off all rent, associated fees, and related costs, in the amount of \$89,057.81, as uncollectable lease debt in connection with two Lease Agreements between the Tacoma Rail Mountain Division and Global Locomotive, LLC, Sygnet Rail Technologies, LLC, and Sygnet LLC, for its Western Junction Facility.

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Mello moved to upon recommendation of the City Manager, and pursuant to Section 1.06.226 of the Tacoma Municipal Code, authorize the Finance Department to cancel and write off all rent, associated fees, and related costs, in the amount of \$89,057.81, as uncollectable lease debt in connection with two Lease Agreements between the Tacoma Rail Mountain Division and Global Locomotive, LLC, Sygnet Rail Technologies, LLC, and Sygnet LLC, for its Western Junction Facility.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Woodards.**

**ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.**

**Ayes:** 8 - Blocker, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Mello, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

**Absent:** 1 - Thoms

## COMMUNICATIONS

12. [16-0947](#) City Manager transmitting Amended Resolution No. U-10879 adopted by the Public Utility Board on September 28, 2016, relating to Click! Network; which approved an All-In business and Tacoma Power funding plan to provide retail telecommunication services.

This item was informational only.

## PURCHASE RESOLUTIONS

13. [RES39550](#) A resolution awarding a contract to Western Peterbilt, LLC, in the amount of \$981,709, plus sales tax, budgeted from the Solid Waste Fund, for six Peterbilt Transfer Tractors with automatic transmissions - Washington State Contract No. 01513.  
[Gary Kato, Solid Waste Management Division Manager;  
Michael P. Slevin III, P.E., Director, Environmental Services]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Mello moved to adopt Resolution No. 39550.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Woodards.**

**ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.**

**Ayes:** 8 - Blocker, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Mello, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

**Absent:** 1 - Thoms

14. [RES39551](#) A resolution awarding a contract to R. L. Alia Company, in the amount of \$518,516.50, excluding sales tax, plus a 15 percent contingency, for a total of \$596,293.98, budgeted from the Wastewater Fund, for the removal and construction of approximately 2,200 linear feet of underground wastewater mains, and roadway surface restoration in various locations within the City - Specification No. ES16-0281F.  
[Geoffrey M. Smyth, P.E., Science and Engineering Division Manager;  
Michael P. Slevin III, P.E., Director, Environmental Services]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Mello moved to adopt Resolution No. 39551.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Woodards.**

**ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.**

**Ayes:** 8 - Blocker, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Mello, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

**Absent:** 1 - Thoms

15. [RES39552](#) A resolution awarding a contract to Republic Parking Northwest, Inc., in the amount of \$671,574, plus sales tax, budgeted from the Tacoma Dome Enterprise Fund, for parking services, for an initial contract period of four years, with the option to renew for one additional two-year period, for a projected contract total of \$1,007,360 - Specification No. PF16-0327F.  
[Jon Houg, Deputy Director; Kim Bedier, Director, Public Assembly Facilities]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Mello moved to adopt Resolution No. 39552.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Woodards.**

**ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.**

**Ayes:** 8 - Blocker, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Mello, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

**Absent:** 1 - Thoms

## RESOLUTIONS

16. [RES39553](#) A resolution declaring surplus and approving the sale of approximately 35 miles of property, related railroad infrastructure, and personal property associated with the Western Junction Facility, owned by the Public Works Department - Tacoma Rail Mountain Division, located between Rainier and Chehalis, to WRL, LLC, for the amount of \$2,801,000; and depositing said sum into the Tacoma Rail Mountain Division Fund.  
[Alan Matheson, Assistant Rail Superintendent; Kurtis D. Kingsolver, P.E., Director, Public Works]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Mello moved to adopt Resolution No. 39553.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Woodards.**

**ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.**

**Ayes:** 8 - Blocker, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Mello, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

**Absent:** 1 - Thoms

17. [RES39554](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of a Multi-Family Housing Eight-Year Limited Property Tax Exemption Agreement with Overlook Place, LLC, for the development of 12 multi-family market-rate rental housing units located at 624 East 32nd Street in the McKinley Mixed-Use Center.  
[Debbie Bingham, Economic Development Specialist;  
Ricardo Noguera, Director, Community and Economic Development]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Mello moved to remove Resolution No. 39554 from the agenda.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Ibsen.**

**ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion to remove Resolution No. 39554 from the agenda was declared adopted.**

**Ayes:** 8 - Blocker, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Mello, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

**Absent:** 1 - Thoms

18. [RES39555](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of an amendment to the agreement with Comprehensive Life Resources, in the amount of \$254,400.00, budgeted from the Mental Health Substance Use Disorder Fund, for a total of \$1,434,227.28, for the period of January 1, 2015, through December 31, 2016, to continue the Positive Interactions Program.  
[Pamela Duncan, Human Services Division Manager, Nadia Chandler Hardy, Director, Neighborhood and Community Services]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Mello moved to adopt Resolution No. 39555.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Woodards.**

**ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.**

**Ayes:** 8 - Blocker, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Mello, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

**Absent:** 1 - Thoms

19. [RES39556](#) A resolution expressing support for the Center for Popular Democracy's Anti-Hate Campaign, which condemns violence and hate speech and expresses solidarity with the campaign for Muslims and all those targeted for their ethnicity, race, or religion.  
[Council Member Woodards]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Mello moved to adopt Resolution No. 39556.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Woodards.**

**ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.**

**Ayes:** 8 - Blocker, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Mello, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

**Absent:** 1 - Thoms

- 20. [RES39557](#) A resolution authorizing the execution of a Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Professional Public Safety Management Association, which consists of approximately eight budgeted full-time equivalent positions, retroactive to January 1, 2015, through December 31, 2018.  
[Joy St. Germain, Director, Human Resources]

**MOTION: Deputy Mayor Mello moved to adopt Resolution No. 39557.**

**SECONDED BY: Council Member Woodards.**

**ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The Resolution was declared adopted.**

**Ayes:** 8 - Blocker, Campbell, Ibsen, Lonergan, McCarthy, Mello, Woodards and Mayor Strickland

**Absent:** 1 - Thoms

**FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES**

- 21. [ORD28380](#) An ordinance amending Chapter 1.12 of the Municipal Code, relating to the Compensation Plan, to implement rates of pay and compensation for employees represented by the Professional Public Safety Management Association.  
[Joy St. Germain, Director, Human Resources]

**ACTION: Ordinance No. 28380 was set over for final reading next week.**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There was no unfinished business.

**REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER**

City Manager T.C. Broadnax reported the City’s Environmental Services Department was awarded the Washington State American Public Works Association’s Chapter Award for Project of the Year in the category of Emergency/Disaster Preparedness for the Central Wastewater Treatment Plant Flood Protection Project. He stated the City also received awards from the National Association of Clean Water Agencies and the Washington State

Department of Ecology for peak performance at the Central and North End Treatment Plants. City Manager Broadnax reported the City was awarded a \$1,500,000 grant from the United States Department of Commerce to support the operation of a Minority Business Development Agency business center, and an open house will be held on Wednesday, October 12, 2016, at 11:00 a.m., in the City Council Chambers, for attendees to meet with center staff and learn more about services available. City Manager Broadnax concluded his report by recognizing Public Works and Media and Communications staff who participated in the improvement project to the City Council Chambers.

**COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS OF THE CITY COUNCIL**

Community Vitality and Safety Committee

Council Member Woodards, Chair of the Community Vitality and Safety Committee, reported the Committee conducted interviews for the Human Services Commission at the August 25, 2016 meeting, and interviews for the Hilltop Community Engagement Committee at the September 22, 2016 meeting.

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Council Member Ibsen provided information on upcoming budget presentations in the North End, and a community town hall on Proctor area development.

Council Member Campbell provided information on the Tacoma Film Festival starting on Thursday, October 6, 2016, and continuing through the month of October.

Council Member Woodards provided information on the second annual Student Government Day on Tuesday, November 1, 2016.

Deputy Mayor Mello provided information on Tacoma Arts Month with events occurring through the end of October, and stated events and information can be found at [www.tacomaartsmoonth.com](http://www.tacomaartsmoonth.com)

Mayor Strickland read a letter from Tacoma Public Schools thanking the City for its commitment to youth.

Council Member Woodards provided information on the an information session on first data sets released in support of the White House Police Data Initiative, on Wednesday, October 5, 2016.



Council Member Campbell provided information on the proposed 2017-2018 Biennial Budget that is available on the City's website at [www.cityoftacoma.org](http://www.cityoftacoma.org).

**ADJOURNMENT**

On proper motion, the meeting was adjourned at 5:56 p.m.

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Marilyn Strickland, Mayor

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Doris Sorum, City Clerk